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CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.

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CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. SINKS THE JAPS!

GO GET THE MARVEL GANG
AMERICA'S FAVORITE COMICS HEROES IN AMERICA'S FAVORITE COMICS MAGAZINES
WHIZ

CAPT. MARVEL JR.
Parade
Dear Billy,
It was a great day when I met Captain Marvel— But you read about it in page 4
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WAK!
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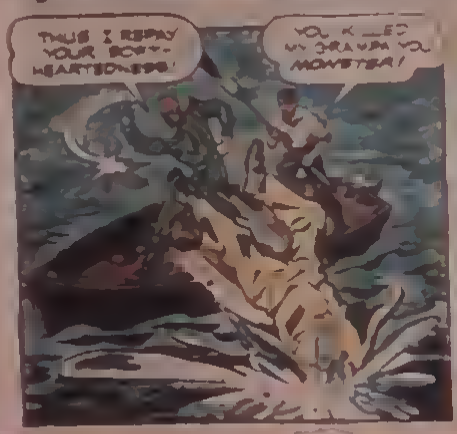
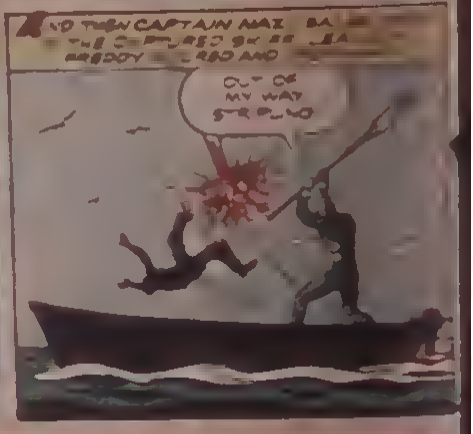
Captain MARVEL JR.

[illegible] BROADCASTING A [illegible] AND [illegible] SO DAVE AND TO A [illegible] THEY DO NOT KNOW [illegible] THE TERRIBLE CAPTAIN MAZI!
BABY ME [illegible] YOU'RE IN GOOD HANDS NOW.
HERE'S THE [illegible] OF HOW POOR, CRIPPLED FREDDY FREE[illegible] BECAME Captain Marvel Junior... MOST POWERFUL BOY IN THE WORLD!

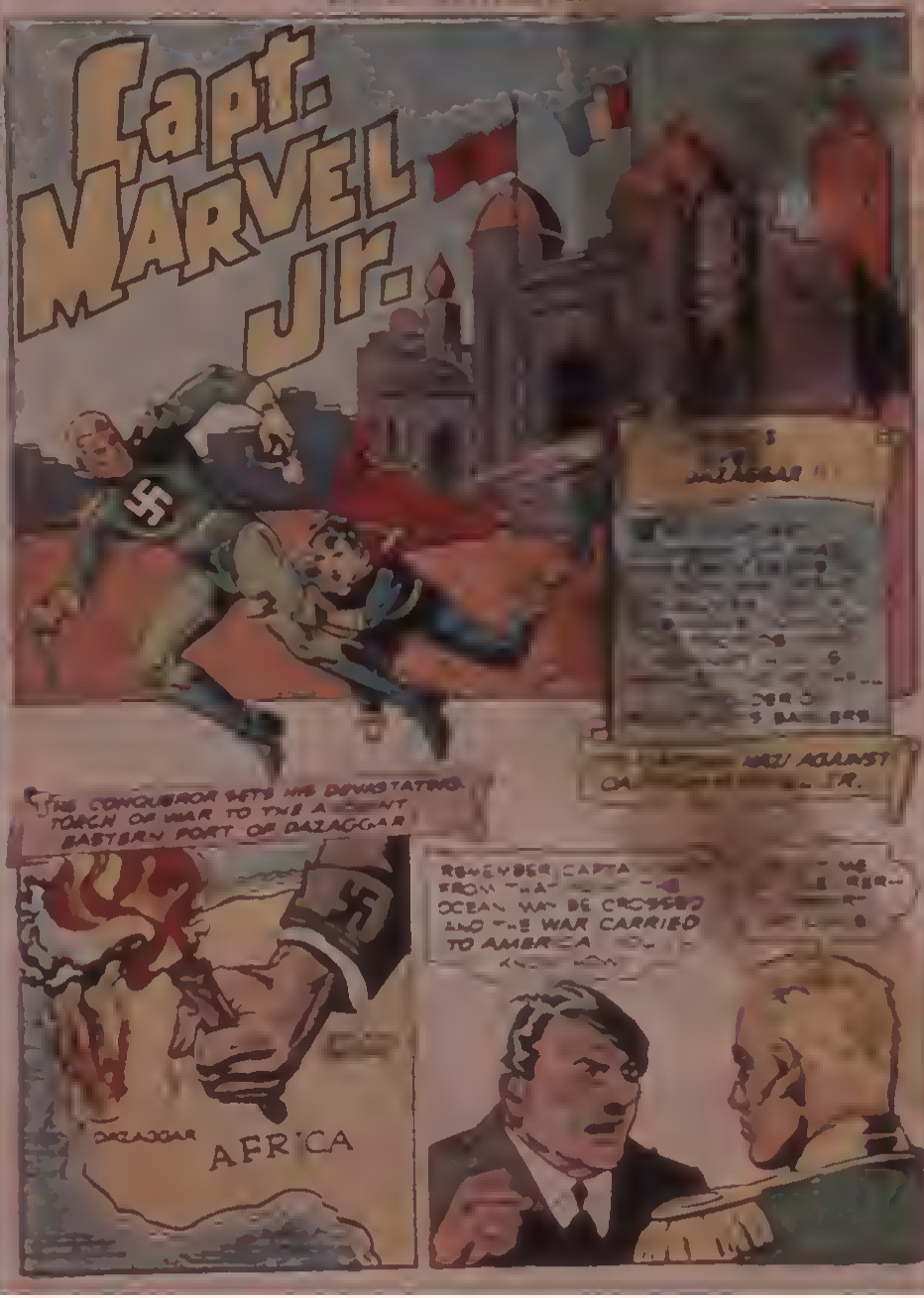




THELD IS AT HAND - CAPTAIN MARVEL RESCUES FREDDY.
YOU'RE IN BAD SHAPE YOUNGSTER... I'LL GET YOU TO A HOSPITAL.
LATER CAPTAIN MARVEL APPEARS AS BILLY BATSON'S OTHER SELF... TO GET A REPORT.
EVEN IF HE LIVED HE'D BE A CRIPPLE FOR LIFE. WE DON'T EXPECT HIM TO LAST THE NIGHT OUT.
AND SO AT MIDNIGHT, BILLY RAISES THE SPECIAL!
A LAST DESPERATE CHANCE, BUT...
DEEP IN A FORGOTTEN SUBWAY... KNOWN ONLY TO BILLY HIMSELF... IS A WEIRD VEHICLE...
NOW TO HEAD FOR THE ANCIENT UNDERGROUND TEMPLE!
THEY REACH A STRANGE UNDERGROUND CHAMBER, WHERE BILLY LIGHTS A LAMP.
WHO AWAKENS OUT SHAZAM FROM HIS THOUSAND YEARS OF SLEEP?
I AM BATSON-EL'S FOUR-BY-NO BOY...AS YOU ONCE HELPED ME.
I CANNOT CHANGE THE PAST... BUT YOU AS CAPTAIN MARVEL... CAN PASS ON SOME OF YOUR POWER TO THIS POOR LAD BILLY BATSON SPEAK MY NAME!
SHAZAM!
LIGHTNING FLASHES IN THE UNDERGROUND CAVERN!
BAM!

WHY—IT'S CAPTAIN MARVEL!
A MIRACLE HAS HAPPENED! CAPTAIN MARVEL'S AND
BOOM!
YOU HAVE A— THE POWERS! HAVE! USE THEM TO FIGHT EVIL!
AND SO— CHANGE BACK TO SHAPE AS DO TO BILLY BATSON!
ALL WELL AGAIN—I'M STRONG—LIKE YOU!
THAT'S RIGHT! YOU ARE CAPTAIN MARVEL, JUNIOR!
YES! WHENEVER YOU NEED ME SPEAK MY NAME AS CAPTAIN MARVEL, JR.— YOU'LL BE ABLE TO DO THE THINGS I DO
GOODBYE I'LL MAKE YOU PROUD OF ME.
2nd SO— FREEMAN BE— OF JUSTICE AND FREED— ADVENTURES.

Capt. MARVEL Jr.


THE CONQUEROR HITS HIS DEVASTATING TORCH OF WAR TO THE ANCIENT EASTERN PORT OF DAZAGGAR
DAZAGGAR
AFRICA
REMEMBER CAPTAIN — FROM THIS — OCEAN MAY BE CROSSED AND THE WAR CARRIED TO AMERICA

LE IN LONDON, AT FREE FRENCH HEADQUARTERS
YES...MY COLONE...
BUT AS RONALD DEPARTS
CAPTAIN MARVEL
S FREDDY FREEMAN PRONOUNCES THE NAME OF HIS GREAT HERO, LIGHTNING PIERCES THE DARKNESS AND
BOOM
IT IS MARVEL, JR WHO HURLS HIM
STRIKE AGA...
ACH!

STROKES AT THE NEWCOMER! BUT AGAINST THE LAD'S IRON MUSCLES THE STEEL SHIVERS LIKE CLAY
AT BRINGS US FISTS!
CRASH!
THANK YOU... YOU BE TOO LATE
I WAS TO GO TO DAZAOOAR, GERMANY SOME SORT OF NEW CAMPAIGN
HE'S DYING. POOR FELLOW.
BUT HE PASSED HIS ASSIGNMENT ON TO ME! I'LL THE FORCES OF DEMOCRACY!
LEAGUE OF CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.!
AND AS RISES OVER THE WEST COAST OF AFRICA
THERE'S DAZAOOAR!

DAZAGGAR, ONCE A PROUD POSSESSION OF FRANCE, HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY NAZI CONQUERORS...
OUR NEW MASTERS HOLD THEIR COMMAND POST HERE.
WHAT PLAN FOR OPPRESSIONS AND PUNISHMENTS?
AC- -S HEAT! QUICK, A DRINK!
RAP! RAP!
INEFFICIENCY LAXNESS SLOTH!!
PLEASURE OF MY VISIT WHERE TO SPEED UP WORK.
CAPTAIN NAZI! AN HONOR INDEED.
DOWN HERE- AWAY FROM PRYING SPIES AND BOMBING SQUADRONS WE SHALL DO THE WORK THAT BRINGS OUR FUEHRER VICTORY

E ANOTHER NEWCOMER SEEKS A QUIET NOOK AND
BOOM
CAPTAIN MARVEL!!
BECOMES FREDDY FREEMAN ONCE MORE!
YONDER THAT CROWD! WHAT'S HAPPENED?
STAND BACK YOU MEN! THIS IS ANT MEN ONLY.
PIO! BUT YOU ARE GOING TO PLENTY OF HARD LABOR!
WHAT'S THE MATTER? WHAT HAVE WE DONE?
HERE'S A LAD— EARLY AS WELL GROWN TOO—
BUT HE'S A CRIPPLE— NO GOOD FOR OUR PURPOSE.

ALL KINDS OF MEN--COLORED AND NATIVES. BEING DRIVEN TOWARD THE EDGE OF TOWN!
NOW THEY ARE GOING INTO THE JUNGLE--WHERE?
HA! LITTLE SPY!!
CLEAR NO DEATH MAN BOY--I CAN SEE THAT. COME TO MY OFFICE.
NOT SO FAST! I CAN'T WALK VERY WELL.
TO HIS OFFICE EH? I MUST START MOVE--NO THERE.
FRADDY IS QUESTIONED
I'LL TELL YOU--I'M ONLY A POOR BOY--WITHOUT HOME OR FRIENDS.
WITHOUT FRIENDS? BUT I THINK YOU HAVE MANY FRIENDS, THE ALLIES. ELSE WHY DO YOU FOLLOW THAT WORK PARTY?
WORK PARTY, YOU CALL IT! WHAT WORK HAVE THEY IN THAT THICK JUNGLE?
HIS QUESTIONS PROVE THAT HE'S A SPY!

CAPTAIN NAZI MUST NOT KNOW I'M HERE—HE—BE ON GUARD AGAINST MY SLEUTHING.
CAPTAIN MARVEL!
BOOM!
CRA-
WAM!
CRASH!
BOY—THUNDER DES-R-C- REMINDS ME OF MY FIGHTS WITH CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.!
I CANNOT SAY— EXCEPT THAT THE PRISONER

AS CAPTAIN MARVEL JR GAINS THE OUTDOORS
WHERE DID THE BOY COME FROM?
HE'S STRONG-- GET HIM FOR THE WORKSHOPS!
COME ALONG! WE NEED YOU!!
HERE'S WHERE YOU'LL LEARN TO BE DOCILE SLAVES
AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL
VORWARTS!
A CAVE!
ANOTHER SLAVE FOR THE WORKSHOPS! WE NEED ALL WE CAN FIND
THEY'RE WORKING ALL THESE CAPTIVES TO DEATH--BUT AT WHAT?
AS CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. BEGINS HIS WORK
WHAT ARE WE SUPPOSED TO BE MAKING?
PLEASE--IT'S DEATH TO DISCUSS THE PROJECT
SILENCE!
WHERE'S THAT BABBLER-- OUR CHIEF WANTS TO SEE YOU!
AH! AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE.

HOW DO YOU GET HERE?
THIS SLAVE BOSSES THE SILENCE ORDER SR.
REMEMBERING FORMER DEFEATS AT THE HANDS OF HIS YOUNG FOE
YOUR PRISONER WILL BE CAPTURED TO FIND OUT YOUR LATEST PLAN TO SEL AND TEAR IT DOWN!
SUPPOSE SURRENDER YOU CAL OFF OUR ATTACK ALSO PREPARE TO COME WITH US TO THE NEAREST ALSO HEADQUARTERS THEN.
BUT THE SURRENDER OFFER WAS A TRICK CAPTAIN NAZI STRIKES AS CAPTAIN MARVEL JR RELAXES HIS GUARD
NO THE STEEL MILL BLOWS NOW!!
NOW I SEE
HERE'S FUEL FOR THE FURNACE BLAZE TO ENDURE
CAPTAIN MARVEL JR

WINGED CASTLES
ONE LOOK IS ENOUGH FOR CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. — HE SOARS INTO ACTION!
SO THAT'S WHERE SLAVE LABOR BUILDS JAP WEAPONS AGAINST DEMOCRACY
THE CAPT. WORKERS SE THE OPPOSITE
KNOCK [illegible] HEAD
I HAVE MY OWN!
INTO THE HANGAR — THE ARMORED THRONG
STAMP A VICTORY ON EACH NAZI FACE
QUICK — FOR — FOR — THE — ANGER — ES THAT WAY!

TAKE THEIR WEAPONS AWAY FROM THEM FOR AN ATTACK ON THOSE FLYING CASTLES
FOR HARD WE TAKE DAZAGOAR BACK AND ATTACK
CAPTAIN MARVEL
QUICK THESE AND THEIR ARE AND OUR GERMAN OUTPOSTS TO CIRCLE THOSE CASTLES FOR THE FATHERLAND
CAPTAIN NAZI AND HIS GANG HEAD WESTWARD IN THE BEAUTY PLANES!
TRAVEL FASTER WE BEAR SOUTH AMERICA SOON BUT TRAVEL FASTER!
THERE'S AN OPEN PORT TO PAY A CALL ON DR.

LET ME AT THOSE CONTROLS!
NOW! YOU ... A SEA-RAT ... A
CAPTAIN MARVEL!
HEY!
WHO IS THERE?

THERE GO THAT OTHER GUY SO... AND WHO ARE YOU?
WAIT, SENTRY
I REMEMBER FREDDY FREEMAN VERY WELL... YOU'RE THE ALLIED SPECIAL AGENCY, AREN'T YOU?
SEND UP PLANES, ADMIRAL... WITH RADIO FINDERS TO TRACE THE WINGED CASTLES IN THE GERMAN [illegible]
WITHIN BRIEF MOMENTS, A SWARM OF AMERICAN SCOUTS TAKE THE AIR
A GERMAN PLANE MOANS
I SAW THEM LAST IN THAT DIRECTION
YOU'RE RIGHT! THERE THEY ARE!
THE TWO [illegible] OF AMERICAN

QUICK GET UNDERNEATH!
NOT A CHANCE! MY BULLETS NOW PIERCE THAT ARMOR!
FIRE AT THE BOMBS IN HER RACKS!
AND IT DOES WORK! THE WINGED CASTLE IS WRECKED BY ITS OWN BOMBS
BAM!
GREAT IDEA!
QUICKLY CAPTAIN FREES HIMSELF OF HIS DAMAGED LOAD
AND AWAY

SOUTHWARD, THE MIGHTIEST OF AIRCRAFT CLAIMS THE SOUTH AMERICAN COAST BENEATH OVER
THERE! AT THE EDGE OF THE JUNGLE — AN AMERICAN AIRPORT!
AMERICAN ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS OPEN UP. BUT—
RUSSELLS, S.R. OUR SHELLS DON'T HURT THEM! BO OERLAN S—
ST— THOSE GUNS! ALL SHIELD AROUND AND DESTROY ALL THOSE PLANES.
—IT'S TOO FAR AHEAD. WE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO SAVE THE AIRPORT—
CAPTAIN MARVEL!

I'VE DONE IT! CAPTAIN NAZI IS CRIPPLED!
CRACK!

THAT PUTS THE LAST OF THE RINGED CASTLES OUT OF ACTION.
CA-RA-SHOOM!
CAPTAIN MARVEL JR REPORTS ABOARD THE FLAGSHIP
CONGRATULATIONS YOUNGSTER WE-EARD ALL ABOUT IT BY RADIO FROM THE REPORT HERE'S SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO THANK YOU.
THE ONE OF THE FREE FRENCH!
SEE CAPTAIN MARVEL JR EVERY MONTH IN MASTER COMICS

ONE RETURNED

Davey wasn't much on killing and robbing. He just wanted to be honest . . . but sometimes honesty can get a fellow in trouble, and sometimes it can keep him out!

"JUST SIT right, Davey," came the agent man's low words. "We have that dough out here before you know it. And when we see we gotten some that deserves, get ready to scoot — fast!"

Davey took his hands from the steering wheel and wiped the sweat on his pants. His face was white. Darn! had somehow got himself involved in this, without knowing what Smoky was up to. He knew that. And he knew too, that if he started the car and fled, Smoky would gun him down.

Smoky'd done the thing to receive money before, and that was the shotgun. It's funny was sick at heart—and frightened.

"The [illegible] "I wonder if [illegible] had luck—"

The heavy [illegible] One—two—three [illegible] Davey [illegible] The [illegible] He peered through the darkness to [illegible] Smoky's fat frame waddling [illegible] his hand [illegible] The other [illegible] menace, and [illegible] Darn struggled [illegible] Smoky gurgled [illegible] his neck and [illegible] the door.

"Scram outa [illegible] cooped words [illegible] out of here [illegible] dumb fashion, all!"

Darn [illegible] gave [illegible] the [illegible] hill [illegible] and fled. As [illegible] big [illegible] sailed through [illegible] through [illegible] Smoky [illegible] a final [illegible] groans [illegible]

"One [illegible] and [illegible]" whipped Smoky. "Some [illegible] Uh, [illegible] along [illegible] one [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Aww, I'm glad I [illegible] [illegible]"

[illegible] Marvin Flynn [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] the cold steel of his [illegible] ground instinctively [illegible] was only about three [illegible] Scare [illegible] and Smoky wasn't a bad driver [illegible] serving this kill anything [illegible] taken, the [illegible] a chance [illegible] over [illegible]

[illegible] he said, opening the door. "If [illegible] get out and see what we've got here [illegible] gun [illegible]"

[illegible] heard Davey stumble out. He couldn't see [illegible] He [illegible] gave himself [illegible] Smoky. He heard the kid's voice. "Don't [illegible] those rocks. One [illegible] up here—and it's a long [illegible]

Smoky looked [illegible] the [illegible] he was. The killer [illegible] Davey's gun figure [illegible] was thick. Supposing [illegible] Supposing Davey [illegible] made a rush [illegible] and [illegible] gun? He was [illegible] but wrong as a [illegible]

[illegible] like I'm making [illegible] because [illegible] Davey's here get [illegible] you. He might [illegible] but he's right [illegible] me to see this [illegible] Hanover [illegible] here [illegible] Wish I could see a [illegible] honest."

He [illegible] them. "How bad [illegible] does [illegible] look? W[illegible] the edge?" Since he [illegible] see [illegible] kid, he'd get [illegible] the [illegible] the voice. "Look [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

CAPT. MARVEL JR.
AND THE SHADOW THAT WALKED!
Dear Diary. Somehow in the city there is a terrible Criminal threat trying to become the King of Crime. I know only so much. I WILL
I don't dare tell the girl who I am. She will get KILLED if I tell her.
MAIL ROOM HIDDEN
THE MOST OF THE LAST
FREEMAN WRITES IN HIS DIARY

LET'S SEE— THE POLICE REPORT— YES— TWO MURDERS HAVE BEEN COMMITTED— BOTH BY THE SHADOW KILLER!
AND IN BOTH CASES A MESSAGE WAS LEFT WITH THE CORPSE. A MESSAGE WHICH READ "THE SHADOW THAT WALKS!" IT IS BOUND TO BE A TOUGH JOB.
BUT LET'S LEAVE HARRY FREEMAN TO HIS SEARCH AND TURN TO THE EDITORIAL OF THE HERALD GLOBE
YOU— YOU BELIEVE REPORTERS' THE TOWN IS TERRORIZED BY A HOODLUM CALLED THE WALKING SHADOW AND YOU BRING ME STORIES ABOUT A PET DACHSHUND, A THE WALKING SHADOW WAS THE DUMMY HE HAS ESCAPED FROM THE WAX—
IF THE POLICE CAN'T FIND THE KILLER HOW CAN YOU EXPECT US TO WRITE ABOUT HIM—OR IT
I KNOW ABOUT YOU THINKS BUT HEADING FOR THE SPOT WHERE THE LAST MURDER OCCURRED I'LL SAY THE EDITOR A LONG OVERALLS.
I THINK I'LL PICK MY OWN HUNTING GROUNDS! SEE YOU LATER JERRY!
THE POLICE ARE NOT FOR THE HERALD-GLOBE! EXPECT YOU, AS BLACK AS YOU JERRY BLACK TO BE THE POLICE NOW GET OUT!

JERRY BLAKE'S TRAIL LEADS TO ONE OF THE TOUGHER SECTIONS OF TOWN...
I MUST HAVE BEEN RIGHT... THERE'S A LIGHT IN THE ROOM.
UP WITH THEM! BOTH OF YOU...
WHA—?
—AT ARE TWO DOING HERE?
THE WALKING SHA...
IT'S THE WALKING SHADOW!
BANG!
I SUPPOSE I ALWAYS THAT JERRY BLACK THEY WERE SEARCHING THE ROOM ON MY ORDERS AND SPIKE JUST DIED FOR TRYING TO TALK TOO MUCH AS WILL YOU!
AT THAT MOMENT, OTHER EARS NEAR THE CONFLAGRATION OF THE WALKING SHADOW!
CAPTAIN MARVEL!!
A DEAFENING CRASH OF THUNDER CRASHES THROUGH THE NIGHT
KA-RA-M!

CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.!!
HA! ANOTHER ONE TO DO
POOL EVEN GREAT STRENGTH ARE THE WALKING SHADOW
WHAM!
WELL, I'LL BE— I WON'T RUN FROM THE FALL!
THE WALKING SHADOW
DON'T THINK SO. I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED B— THE WALKING SHADOW GOT AWAY
HE'S VANISHED SO... THIS IS NO PLACE FOR A HEALTHY BOY LIKE ME!
Z-I-I-P-P-H

I'VE GOT IT! A REAL BANNER HEADLINE
I SAW THE WALKING SHADOW! I SAW CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.
GO
YEAH! BUT S— A REAL STORY
—ES YOU SEEN JERRY'S —E NOTES?
THAT SHOES
BANG
AND WE WANT HIM BEFORE THE POLICE GET HIM
THE ENTIRE CITY IS WITH NEWSBOYS EXTRA
AND AMONG CRIPPLED LAD
EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. AND THE SHADOW THAT WALKS!

SHOES McCANN!
I'D BET MY ALOWEEN MASK I'LL CATCH THE WALKING SHADOW
THE WALKING SHADOW
CRASH!
CAPTAIN MARVEL!

SOCK!
WHAM!
BANG!
BANG!
BANG!
SOMEBODY'S IN THAT OLD HOUSE!
EEEEEAH!

OH AGAIN
OH YEAH
COME AGAIN
WHAT CAN BE
A GIRL
CRASH!
A WALK NO SHADOW
DEAD

CREATURE, THE WALKING SHADOW, APPEARED ON THE
HORRIBLE
NOT ME!
BACK HOME.
POLICE
SOMEONE HAS GOT TO STOP THE WALKING SHADOW
GREAT WORK, YVONNE
TOO MUCH

CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.?
GO AHEAD
AND NOW TO END THE WALKING SHADOW BEFORE HE'S ANOTHER VICTIM.
OLD

YVONNE SERGO
POOH! WHAT'S THAT DOC SCIENCE - THE WALKING SHADOW? SCIENCE THAT HANDS KEEP OUT OF MY BUSINESS - I'M A REPORTER!
EASY MISS BLAKE - WE DON'T WANT TO EXCITE SAY WHAT'S THIS?
VERY CLEVER MISS BLAKE SCIENCE'S THE WALKING SHADOW! - IT'S SEE HOW IT WORKS
I SUPPOSE PERHAPS A BLOW AGAINST BLAKE WILL CREATE A BIG BAD SHADOW. NOW IF ANYBODY BLOWS THE ROOF DOWN LOOK AT THE SHADOW ATTRACTED BY ATTENTION - AND THEN KILL THEM!
POOHO AS A REPORTER I'D BETTER SCARE EVERYBODY AWAY SO YOU COULD CLAIM THE REWARD - MISS BLAKE! SHE'S DOWN!

DIE! DIE!
NO— DON'T! DON'T!
CRUSH!
A PEACE-LOVING CLOWN.
For the BEST in THRILLS
Read CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. EACH MONTH in MASTER Comics

WILLIE WISHAM
AND THE BOMB PROOF SHIRT!
BANG!!
READY! AIM... FIRE!!
BRAVO
PIECES
THE WAY HE PLANNED THIS PLASTIC
WILL MAKE A SHIRT BULLET PROOF AND BOMB PROOF
TO THE

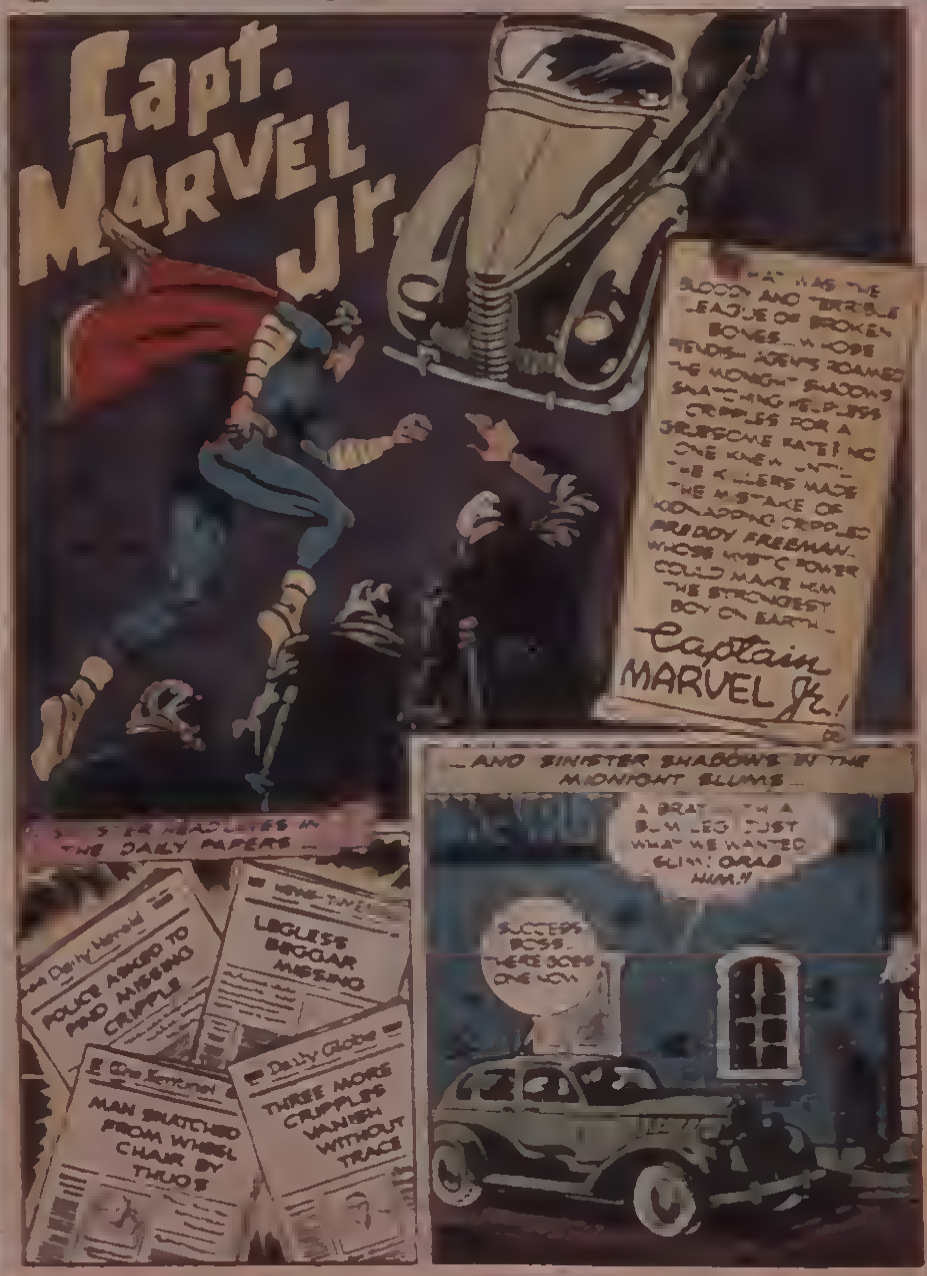
BOOM!!
IT'S THE BERRIES!!
THE SHOT BOUNCED OFF LIKE RAIN DROPS!
A BOMB PROOF
WELL, WE HAVE THE BOMBS TO TEST IT—
TO THE ARMY
THE WAR

YOUNG MAN ! RATHER FANCY YOU'LL DISCOVER THAT RIFLE BULLETS HAVE GREATER PENETRATION THAN SHRD SHOT!
MY WORD!
IS IT POSSIBLE?! THIS IS A MARVEL OF SCIENCE!
ASTOUNDING!! EVEN FIFTY CALIBER MACHINE BULLETS HAVE NO EFFECT!
PUT-PUT-PUT-PUT-PUT-PUT
WE'D LIKE TO GIVE IT A TRIAL WITH THAT BIG GUN!
MY BOY DO YOU REALIZE THAT FIELD PIECE WILL PIERCE NINE INCHES OF ARMOR PLATE?
UH-VERY WELL
BONG!

AND NOW I PROPOSE THE MOST DRASTIC TEST OF ALL... BRING NELLY!
YES SUH!!
READY --
BAM!
LAWD!
THIS IS AMAZING! EVEN THAT TERRIFIC BLOW DID NOT AFFECT IT... I WONDER HOW DURABLE IT WOULD BE IN SERVICE?
DO YOU MEAN WILL IT WEAR?
SEVERAL AS PROPOSE TO FILL THAT CONCRETE MIXER HALF FULL OF COBBLE STONES, TOSS IN THE SHIRT... AND
TWENTY MINUTES

CLANG!
CLANG!
CLANG!
HOORAY! THE SHIRT IS NOT EVEN RUMPLED
BUT THE COBBLE STONES ARE PULVERIZED!
NOT EVEN SCRATCHED
I CAN SCARCELY BELIEVE MY EYES!!
—— IS YOUR OPINION, LIEUTENANT?
HMM-M—— SEEMS DURABLE ENOUGH, SIR .. BUT WILL IT STAND EXTREMES OF TEMPERATURE? —— MIGHT TRY A FLAME THROWER ON IT!!
GOSH! WE DON'T CLAIM IT'S FIRE-PROOF!
INCREDIBLE!! —IS NOT EVEN SINGED!

SINCE DISCOVERY OF
I HAVE
AND GET
THEN
AWAY FORWARD TO
THE WAR DEPARTMENT
SELL YOUR INVENTION FOR A SOUR STRAWBERRY
TATTERS!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—AND SINISTER SHADOWS IN THE MIDNIGHT SLUMS—
A BRAT—I'M A BUM LEG! JUST WHAT WE WANTED SLIM! GRAB HIM!!
SUCCESS BOSS—THERE GOES ONE NOW
LEGLESS BEGGAR MISSING
POLICE ASKED TO FIND MISSING CRIPPLE
MAN SNATCHED FROM WHEEL CHAIR BY THUGS
THREE MORE CRIPPLES VANISH WITHOUT TRACE
Captain MARVEL Jr.!

I'VE GOT TO LOOK INTO THE MYSTERY OF THESE MISSING CRIPPLES! BEING CRIPPLED MYSELF MAKES ME EXTRA SYMPATHETIC—
GOT HIM! HOLD HIS FACE SLIM SO HE CAN'T SQUAWK!
HEY! WHERE— —US— —LUS—
NICE GOING, BOYS. TOSS HIM IN AND LET'S SCRAM.
I COULD TURN TO CAPTAIN MARVEL JR., AND RECAPTURE BUT I'M STAY FREDDY FREEMAN— I MAY LEARN ABOUT THE MISSING CRIPPLES!
BUT ST— AND KEEP ST— BRAT. ONE PEEP OUTA YUH AN I'LL DRILL YUH!
—ST— YE— NOTHIN SLIM. NOTHIN BUT FROGS TO HEAR HIM OUT HERE
I WON'T YELL. BUT WHAT'S THE IDEA OF KIDNAPPING ME? I'M NOT WORTH ANY RANSOM!
SMART KID! PLAY ALONG NICE AND YOU MIGHT FIND YOU'RE WORTH PLENTY— AND I DON'T MEAN RANSOM!
WHAT ELSE CAN I DO? I'M TOO SMALL AND WEAK TO OBJECT
LATER— THE KIDNAP CAR REACHES A DISTANT CITY.
HENRI'S GARAGE
ALL CLEAR HENRI?
WIDE OPEN, BOYS. DRIVE RIGHT IN!

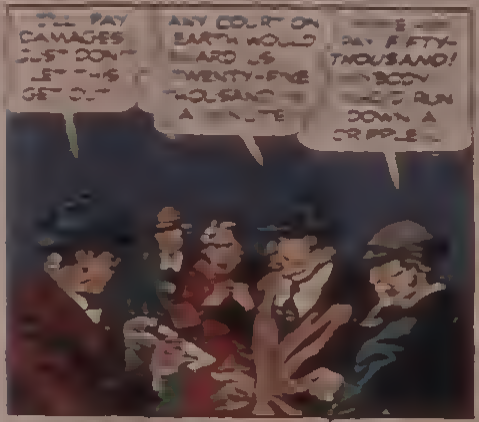
SMART EH, KID? BUT YOU AIN'T SEEN NOTHIN' YET WAIT'LL HE SEES THE BOYS?
A SECRET ROOM BEHIND THE GARAGE! HAW-HAW!
I SAY HE AIN'T! HA! HA!
THE-THE MISSING CRIPPLES!
HEY THIS BRAT'S TOO NOSEY BOSS! WE'D BETTER
DON'T BE A SAP!
HE'S A NATURAL FOR MAW AND ALL AN WHEN THEY GET DONE WITH HIM HE WON'T BE IN NO CONDITION TO SQUEAL ON ANYBODY... EVER!
WE GOTCHA BOSS! I'LL PHONE FER MAW TO COME RIGHT OVER
KILLED? WELL SEE ABOUT THAT, CAPT
HEY, BRAT OUT HERE IN MAKE SNAPPY SES! AN' YOU TOO OLD MAN
THREE? BRAT MAW AIN'T HE A NATURAL FOR OUR SET-UP?
HEE-HEE! GET A COOL GRAND FOR HIM OR SO I GUESS. BUT WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER?

HAW! HE'S GONNA HELP US PICK UP FOUR OR FIVE GRAND POCKET MONEY, EASY! WE'RE A CINCH! HOLD STILL.
THAT VEHICLE MUST BE DOCTOR CAP TAIN MAR
TAKE THAT
HOLD HIM
NO PLEASE! AHHH
NEED SOMEONE A LITTLE
NAW! BUT HELL BE SO DOPEY HE WON'T RE-MEMBER WE'LL HANDLE THE PAY-OFF OUR SELVES. LET'S GO!
IS THE DOC WAY DEAD?
THERE'S WHERE WE COLLECT. SOME DUMB PAINTERS LEFT A HEAVY SCAFFOLD UP THERE OVERNIGHT!
SLIM, YOU'RE GONNA DO A MONKEY ACT AND CLIMB UP IT!
GET BOSS

I GET IT!! PLENTY SMART! THE SCAFFOLD ACCIDENTALLY FALLS ON THIS GUY WHILE HE'S TOO DRUGGED TO DODGE!
AND WE COLLECT DAMAGES! SLIM'S GOT PHONEY PAPERS TO PROVE THE GUY WAS HIS BROTHER!
OOOO_ MY HEAD! WHAT_YEOW! THAT SCAFFOLD'S SET TO FALL ON ME— GOTTA SAVE HIM! CAPTAIN MARVEL!
THE MAGIC NAME OF CAPTAIN MARVEL BRINGS THE CRASH OF MAGIC THUNDER AND LIGHTNING!
BOOM!
AND HIS EAGER MOMENT BOY, CAPTAIN MARVEL JR., STEPS INTO THE RESCUE!
WHA_WAS WHERE'D HE COME FROM?
BOY! IN THE NICK OF TIME!
A MECCOLER! BLAST HIM DOWN, YOU APES! KILL HIM!!
YOU WANTED DAMAGES— HAVE SOME OOOO ONES!
ONE
DUH
TWO

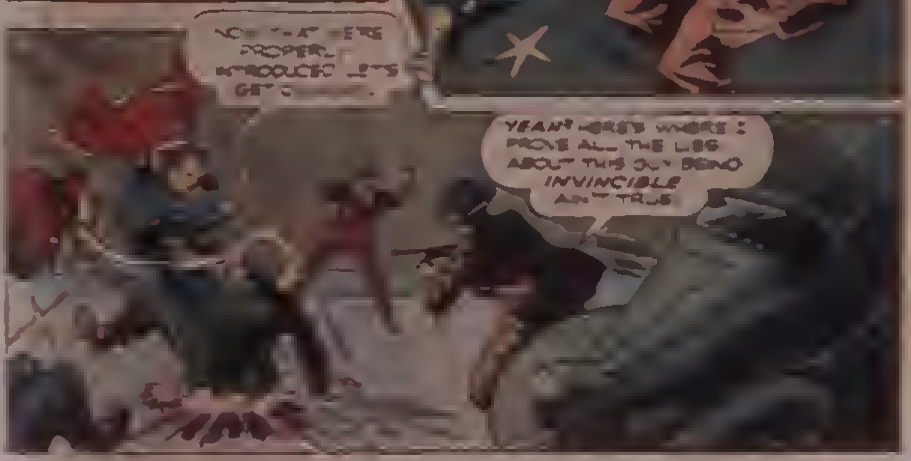
I COULD CLOBBER THE OTHERS— BUT I'VE GOT A BETTER IDEA. I'LL DON'T KNOW THEIR BIG SCHEME—
—BUT AS A HELPLESS CRIPPLE I MIGHT STILL FIND OUT! HOPE NOBODY NOTICES THE CHANGE
DO YOU THINK IT'S SAFE TO GO BACK? THAT GUY WAS DYNAMITE!
BUT HE'S GONE NOW. COME ON! WE GOTTA GET THE CAR AND THEN TWO CRIPPLES ARE BEFORE SOMEBODY GETS HURT
HEY, THE PUNK'S WAKING UP. I'LL SLUG HIM TO SLEEP AND WE'LL GO THROUGH WITH THE MAIN JOB AS PLANNED! WHAT SAY?
OKAY BY ME. JUST SO THAT RED-AND-BLUE CYCLONE DON'T COME BACK!
HE WON'T SHOW UP AGAIN THERE! NOW WE'LL DRIVE TO MAYOR NORTON'S. HE'S DUE HOME ABOUT NOW.
YOU SURE FIXED THE CRIPPLES BUT BOSS, YOU SLUGGED HARD ENOUGH TO PARALYZE A HORSE!
THE MAYOR'S HOUSE EH? I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THEIR DIRTY SCHEME!

HERE COMES MAYOR HORTON'S CAR NOW!
YOU'RE A SMART ONE, BOSS. WE'LL PUT THE BIG CHEESE ON THE SPOT!
READY— SHOVE!!
LITTLE ALFRED! HE'LL BE KILLED!!
PERFECT
HELP!! MY BOY!
CRASH
I COULDN'T HELP IT— HE RAN RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE CAR
YOU MURDERER! YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS!
ALFRED SPEAK TO ME! HE'S DEAD!!
WE'RE WITNESSES! WE SAW THE WHOLE THING AS HE WAS DRIVIN' BY
THIS IS AWFUL! A CRIPPLE TOO! IF MY POLITICAL OPPONENTS GET WIND OF THIS, I'LL BE THROWN OUT OF OFFICE!
YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS, MISTER— AND PLENTY, TOO!
YOU DELIBERATELY RAN HIM DOWN! I'LL CALL THE COPS...
NO! FOR GOODNESS SAKE, WAIT...


I'LL PAY DAMAGES JUST DON'T LET THIS GET OUT
ANY COURT ON EARTH WOULD AWARD US TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND A MINUTE
PAY FIFTY-THOUSAND! BOOY RUN DOWN A CRIPPLE

JUST A MOMENT MAYOR DON'T PAY THOSE CROOKS ONE PENNY!
EEEKE IT'S HIM AGAIN!
WH— WHO?

WAIT! HE'S NO— THAT'S CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.!
RIGHT! BUT DON'T LET THE JUNIOR FOOL YOU SO!
HELP! DO SOMETHING!


NOW THAT WE'RE PROPERLY INTRODUCED LET'S GET—
YEAH! HERE'S WHERE I PROVE ALL THE LIES ABOUT THIS GUY BEING INVINCIBLE AIN'T TRUE

YES—OWW! THE LIES ARE TRUE!
YOU TWO ARE BECOMING NUISANCES
HAVE YOU TWO BEEN OUT TOGETHER BEFORE!
WAK!
THUD!
YOU! ...I CAN'T STRIKE A WOMAN BUT—
KEEP BACK! GET AWAY FROM ME—
I'LL FIX YOU!
OH-OH! EITHER WOMEN'S STYLES HAVE CHANGED OR I CAN REALLY—
—LET MYSELF GO!
OW
GREAT WORK! YOU NOT ONLY SAVED ME FROM TROUBLE BUT KEPT A DIRTY CROWD FROM GAINING POLITICAL POWER OVER MY REGIMEN PARTY.
THAT'S ALL FROM MAGIC! ...HOLY SMOKE! THE BOSS IS DONE!

WHA—WHY—?
WE'LL DESTROY THE OTHER CRIPPLES TO PREVENT THEIR TESTIFYING AGAINST HIM. SEND THE POLICE TO HEINIE'S GARAGE
I HOPE I'M IN TIME!
HEINIE'S GARAGE
TURN AROUND, YOU RATS—AND FACE YOUR FINISH
CAPTAIN MARVEL JR.!!!
CRASH!
YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN—WITHOUT YOUR TEETH!!
RAY FOR THE LAD WHO SAVED OUR LIVES
IT WAS A DIRTY RACKET—ACCIDENT RACKET MAYOR THEY HAD PLANS TO USE EACH OF THESE POOR CRIPPLES IN A SEPARATE STUNT AND COLLECT MILLIONS. THE CRIPPLES WOULD BE DEAD OF COURSE!
Next morning, asked Cripples to sympathetic hearing would spend hundred thousand dollars! But first they had to help Kenny screen witnesses. What next will be?

The MAD ARTIST.
AW!
SMACK

Capt. MARVEL Jr.
IT'S EASY FOR CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. TO SYMPATHIZE WITH THE UNFORTUNATES...BECAUSE AS FREDDY FREEMAN, THE NEWSBOY, HE'S A CRIPPLE HIMSELF. AND NOT ONLY SYMPATHIZE — BUT HELP TO THE UTMOST OF HIS ABILITY... FOR THAT'S THE WAY HE IS. YET WE'D LIKE TO BET THAT WHEN FREDDY HELPED AN OLD COUPLE TO CROSS THE STREET ONE DAY...HE HAD NO IDEA AT ALL OF THE STARTLING EVENTS THAT WOULD FOLLOW THAT SIMPLE ACT.
CRIPPLED FREDDY FREEMAN OFFERS AID TO AN OLD COUPLE AT A CROSSING...
I'LL HELP YOU ACROSS...IF YOU'LL HOLD MY ARM, MA'AM!
OH THANK YOU!
...BUT CHANGING LIGHTS CATCH THE TRIO IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET!
LOOK!
THOSE TWO OLD PEOPLE AND THE BOY—THEY'VE BEEN RUN DOWN!

I...I CAN'T STOP THE TRUCK! THE BRAKES STUCK!
WHA--? CAPTAIN MARVEL
IN ANSWER TO THE LAST WORDS OF FREDDY FREEMAN, A BOLT OF LIGHTNING CRASHES THROUGH THE AIR!
BAM!
I CAN'T LOOK! ONLY A MIRACLE CAN SAVE THEM!
LOOK, A MIRACLE HAS HAPPENED!
A MIRACLE IN THE FORM OF CAPTAIN MARVEL JR - A SECOND EDITION OF THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST
GOOOONESS! WHAT'S THIS?
DON'T WORRY, MA'AM! YOU'RE SAFE NOW!
MAYBE THIS LAD CAN TELL US THE WAY TO THE POORHOUSE, MOTHER!
WHOEVER YOU ARE... YOU'RE VERY KIND!
THE POOR-HOUSE?
YES - WE'RE OLD AND POOR AND THERE'S NO PLACE LEFT FOR US TO GO!
IF WE COULD ONLY FIND OUR SON HE'D HELP US! BUT HE DISAPPEARED FROM OUR HOME TEN YEARS AGO! HERE'S A PICTURE OF HIM!

YOUR SON—ER—
JUMPIN' JIMINY! IT'S A PICTURE OF BULL BAMMENS—GAPES LOWER AND MOB LEADER!
YES!—S NAME S WILLIAM BAMMENS. AND —E WAS SUCH A GOOD BOY!
YOU WAIT HERE —T—S PARK—! —ER—THINK I CAN FIND YOUR SON FOR YOU!
OH, IF YOU ONLY COULD—WE WOULDN'T KNOW HOW TO THANK YOU!
OH! THEY'D FEEL AWFUL IF THEY KNEW THEIR SON WAS BULL BAMMENS, THE SAFE-CRACKER! BUT MAYBE I CAN FIX IT SO THEY WON'T FIND OUT! CAPTAIN MARVEL!
BOOM
LATER—A CRIPPLED BOY IS SHOVED INTO THE UNDERWORLD—
THIS IS A JOB FOR FREDDY FREEMAN! I'VE GOT TO TALK TO BULL BAMMENS, MAN TO MAN! HERE'S HIS HANGOUT—
ER—EXCUSE ME—I'D LIKE TO TALK TO MISTER BULL BAMMENS!
TWO BALL IN DUH CORNER POCKET!
I'LL EAT IT!
MISTER BULL BAMMENS? DAT'S ME, KIDDO—DUH GREAT BULL BAMMENS! WHAT'S ON YER MIND?
IT'S—ER—VERY IMPORTANT. YOU'VE GOT TO COME WITH ME—RIGHT NOW!

GOT TO COME WITH YOU, EH? AN' WHO SEZ I GOT TO?
PUT ME DOWN, YOU BIG LUG! OR I'LL SHOW YOU WHO SAYS!
HAW! HAW! HEAR DAT, BOYS? HE'LL SHOW ME... DAT'S RICH!
WELL I HAVE TO, I HAVE TO... CAPTAIN MARVEL!!
NOW, BULL BUMMENS, ARE YOU COMING WITH ME OR NOT?
EH?
LEAVE DIS SQUIRT T' ME, BULL! I'LL BASH HIS FOOL HEAD IN!
I'M GONNA SHOW YOU NOT TO PULL FUNNY TRICKS AROUN' HERE, YOU LITTLE MUG!
I'VE GOT ANOTHER TRICK TO...
UGH!
...SHOW YOU. HOW DO YOU LIKE THIS ONE?
LAST CHANCE BULL BUMMENS! ARE YOU COMING--PEACE-FULLY!
LISTEN, YOU SHRIMP... I'LL TEAR YOU APART WIT' ME BARE HANDS!

OOF!
I DON'T LIKE TO DO THIS— MUCH!
BUT I GUESS I JUST HAVE TO!
SMACK!
NOW ARE YOU COMING WITH ME?
...UGH! ...OOKS DAT WAY.
CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. [illegible] THE FINAL TOUCHES ON [illegible] PREPARING HIM FOR HIS MA AND PA.
BUT SHUX, WHAT DO I HAVE TO GET DUDED UP FER?
YOU'LL SEE— HURRY UP!
WOW, LISTEN, WHAT'S ALL DIS MYSTERY?
THERE THEY ARE [illegible] ON THE BENCH. DON'T YOU RECOGNIZE THEM?
WELL PICKLE ME IN KEROSENE— IT'S MAW AN' PAW!
WILLIAM!
SON!
REUNION!

YOU LOOK FINE, WILLIAM...AND SO SUCCESSFUL!
YESSIRSEE! COURSE HE'S A SUCCESS! WHAT BUSINESS YOU IN, BILL?
WHY, AIN'TCHA HOOD? I'M DUH BEST SAFEBLOWER IN DIS WHOLE...
ULP
OW!
BILL MEANS HE'S IN THE SAFE BUSINESS, MR. BUMMENS!
EH? OH, YEH— SURE!
CRACK!
BILL...ER...OPENS SAFES WHENEVER THEY...ER...GET STUCK, DON'T YOU, BILL?
THAT'S FINE!
BILL...YOUR MA AND PA DON'T KNOW YOU WERE A SAFECRACKER...AND THEY MUST NEVER FIND OUT! UNDERSTAND?
SURE, PAL— SURE! I GETCHA!
CAPTAIN MARVEL JR. FINISHES HIS GOOD DEED FOR THE DAY!
I'VE GOT TO GO NOW! GOODBYE!
...AND THANKS FOR BRINGING US OUR DEAR SON!
GOOD-BYE, LAD!

ER—JUST A MINUTE FOLKS... I GOT SOME BUSINESS TO ATTEND TO!
ALL RIGHT SON... BUT COME RIGHT BACK!
SON STRAIGHT! HEY BILL, WATCHA MEAN? WE JUST LINED UP A SWELL JOB IN DUH HOTEL RITZMORE-BY-THE-SEA!
AWW! NOT ME, LEFTY! I GOT MY FOLKS TO TAKE CARE OF!
POOL ROOM
ER... DE HOTEL RITZMORE, EH? SAY, MAYBE I'LL TAKE DUH FOLKS DERE! DEY'D— ER... LIKE DAT! YEH—
Dear Diary: Bill Brannen, the ex-safecracker, has put his folks up in the most expensive hotel in town. It looks like he is a good man after all!
THE HOTEL RITZMORE! THAT'S A SWANKY PLACE! WONDER WHERE BILL GOT THE MONEY!
...JUST GO AND SAY HELLO TO THE OLD BRANNENS. THEY MUST BE PRETTY HAPPY IN THAT NICE HOTEL.
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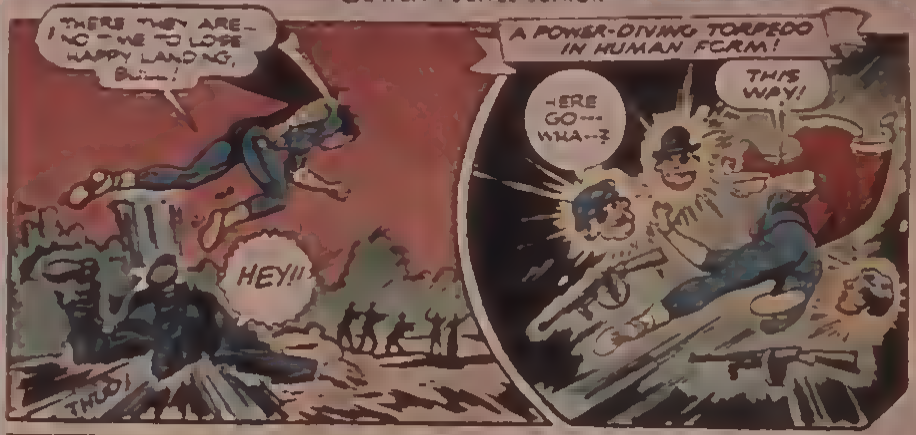
MEANWHILE... THE BRANNENS MOVE IN...
OH! THIS IS A WONDERFUL PLACE, SON! BUT... ER... WHAT'S THAT YOU'RE DOING THERE?
ER... I'M JUST MAKIN' SURE WE GET PLENTY O' VENTILATION, MAW! THAT'S ALL!

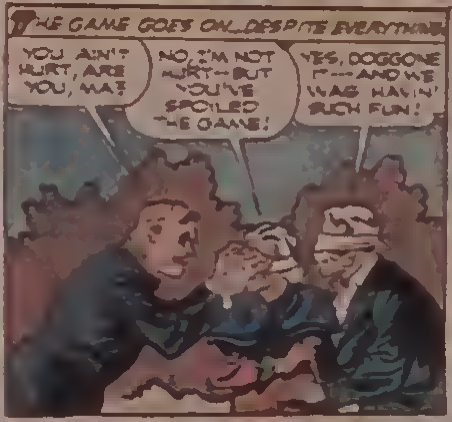
VENTILATION! BY GUM, WILLIAM, YOU'RE CLEVER!
AND HE ONLY THINKS OF OUR COMFORT! BLESS HIM!
OOF! DERE IT IS--DUH HOTEL SAFE! GOSH— DIS'LL BE AS EASY AS ROLLIN' OUTA BED!
ER—I'LL JUST TAKE ENOUGH TO PAY DUH HOTEL BILL— AN' A LITTLE EXTRA...
BEWARE! CLICK-CLACK
CLICK-CLICK
A TOUGH BIFF!
— PER SPENDIN' MONEY
UGH!
BONG!
HEY! WHAT'S DIS— A GAG? OR AM I GOIN' NUTS?
NOBODY KIN HIT BULL BUMMENS AND G'T AWAY WIT' IT I'LL SHOW—
BULL MEETS HIS MATCH!
OW!
BIFF!
WHAM!
BOP!

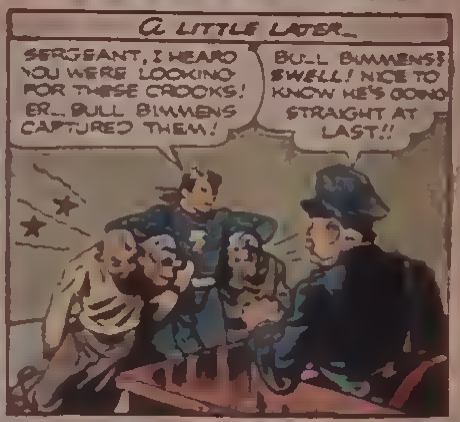
MEANWHILE, BULL'S FORMER GANG ARRIVES!
HERE! DIS ROOM IS NEXT TO DE OFFICE!
SHH! GIT INSIDE! WE'LL GO T'RU DUH WALL TO DUH SAFE!
DAT'S A PAL FOR YUH, LEFTY! LET'S TAKE CARE O' HIM!
HEY! AIN'T DESE BULL SUMMENS' OLD FOLKS?
ER...HE...LO! YOU MUST BE FRIENDS OF WILLIAM'S... COME IN!
BILL IS BUSY! HE'S FIXING OUR ROOM FOR AIR-CONDITIONING!
AIR-CONDITIONIN', EH? WHY, THE DOUBLE-CROSSIN'.....
THE GANG BLOCKS BULL'S EXIT...TRAPPING HIM!
OH...YOU'RE PLAYING A JOKE ON WILLIAM, AREN'T YOU, MISTER LEFTY?
YEH, LADY! SOME JOKE! HAW! HAW!
NOW WE'RE...UH... GONNA TAKE YOU FOLKS FOR A RIDE! C'MON!
A RIDE! OH, HOW NICE! COME, FATHER!
AND DOWNSTAIRS...
HOTEL RITZMORE
THAT LOOKED LIKE SOME OF BULL'S OLD GANG THAT CAR! COULD THEY HAVE REFORMED, TOO?

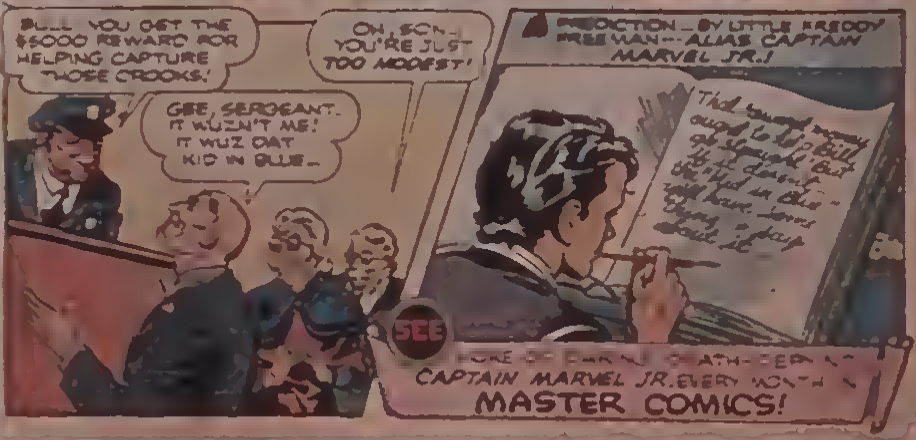
I'LL JUST WALK RIGHT IN AND SURPRISE THEM!
EMPTY! BUT WHAT'S THAT?
HELP!
THAT'S BILL'S VOICE! AND COMING FROM THE NEXT ROOM! HE MUST BE IN TROUBLE!
CAPTAIN MARVEL!!
HEY!! HELP!
SKILLNO FLASH ANSWERS THE MAGIC WORDS OF LITTLE FREDDY FREEMAN AND TRANSFORMS —M—
BAM!
...INTO THE DOOMTABLE CAPTAIN MARVEL JR!
I'M COMING, BILL!
CRASH!
HOLY SMOKE! YOU MEAN YOU BUSTED THROUGH THAT WALL WITH YOUR BARE FISTS?
NEVER MIND THAT! WHAT WAS THE IDEA OF GOING BACK ON YOUR PROMISE...AND TRYING TO ROB THE SAFE?
SMASH!

'TUH GOT ME WRONG, PAL! YOU ARE DOIN' ME AN INJUSTICE! I WAS ONLY TRYIN' TO RESCUE ME OLD LADY--ME POOR GREY-HAIRED MOTHER--WHO ACCIDENTLY GOT LOCKED UP IN DE SAFE!
SHE'S IN THE SAFE EH? THEN WHAT ABOUT THIS NOTE?
GREAT GATS!! DE GANG'S GONNA BUMP OFF ME FOLKS!
QUICK, BILL! HANG ON TO ME... WE'RE GOING TO FLY!
HULLY GEE!, HOPE WE CATCH UP WIT' 'EM!
YES, WE CAN BULL! BUT ONCE WE CATCH THEM, YOU'VE GOT TO DO THE REST... BECAUSE IT'S UP TO YOU TO SAVE YOUR MA AND PA!
MILES AWAY... A GRIM GAME!
I JUST LOVE BLIND MAN'S BLUFF! DON'T YOU, PA?
YEP! THESE FRIENDS OF WILLIAM'S ARE SURE FUN!
EXECUTIONERS READY!
DIS'LL LEARN DAT DOUBLE-CROSSER BULL BAMMENS! G'WAN, LEFTY... GIVE 'EM DUH WOIKS!
OKAY!


THERE THEY ARE—NO—WE TO LOSE HAPPY LANDING, Bull—!
HEY!!
THUD!
A POWER-DIVING TORPEDO IN HUMAN FORM!
THIS WAY!
-ERE GO—WHA—?


THE GAME GOES ON DESPITE EVERYTHING
YOU AIN'T HURT, ARE YOU, MA?
NO, I'M NOT HURT—BUT YOU'VE SPOILED THE GAME!
YES, DOGGONE IT—AND WE WAS HAVIN' SUCH FUN!


A LITTLE LATER—
SERGEANT, I HEARD YOU WERE LOOKING FOR THESE CROOKS! ER—BULL BIMMENS CAPTURED THEM!
BULL BIMMENS! SWELL! NICE TO KNOW HE'S GOING STRAIGHT AT LAST!!


BULL YOU GET THE $5000 REWARD FOR HELPING CAPTURE THOSE CROOKS!
OH, SON—YOU'RE JUST TOO MODEST!
GEE, SERGEANT. IT WUZN'T ME! IT WUZ DAT KID IN BLUE—
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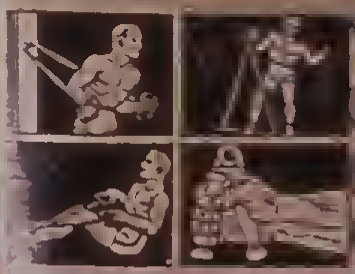

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